



PATENT 3940/3928

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TITLE: CATALYTIC CONVERTER SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION
ENGINE POWERED VEHICLES

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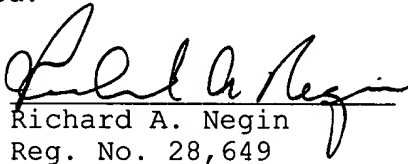
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Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of 3 months from the due date for Office Action dated August 25, 1999.
2. A response in the form of an Amendment is filed simultaneously herewith.
3. Calculation of extension fee:

<u>3 months</u>	<u>\$870.00</u>
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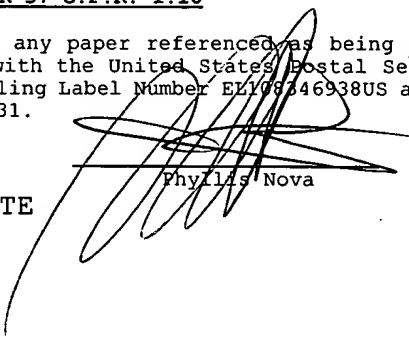
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